

## House Resolution No. 169

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives occasionally pause in their diverse legislative endeavors in order to acknowledge special occasions in the history of Show-Me State communities and neighborhoods; and

**Whereas**, the Willard Branch of the Springfield-Greene County Library opened its door on January 7, 1992, and recently celebrated the Tenth Anniversary of its founding with a festive gathering filled with balloons, refreshments, and prize drawings; and

**Whereas**, the Willard Branch Library had its auspicious beginning through the efforts of the Willard Tuesday Club which included such esteemed members as Annie Busch, who is now director of the library, and the late Marjorie Wallis, whose stellar life and labors are commemorated by a memorial plaque dedicated in her honor at the library; and

**Whereas**, having grown into a full-service institution, the Willard Branch Library now justifiably boasts a computerized card catalogue, internet access, a community room, a computer workstation donated by the Lions Club to accommodate four computers, an expanded children's section, a new adult non-fiction section, and extended hours of operation; and

**Whereas**, each month the Willard Branch Library provides a revolving exhibit of art or other collections of interest that are provided by patrons for the education and enjoyment of other library users and to supplement the many adult and children programs offered at the facility; and

**Whereas**, deserving special mention for their longtime contributions are Vera Florea, who stepped down as Branch Manager five years ago; Kathy Trompke, who is the current Branch Manager; Branch Supervisor Rose Jones; Circulation Assistant Lisa Rust; and Kandie Duggin:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-first General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the exemplary, ongoing legacy of service provided to the residents of Willard, Missouri, and the surrounding area by the Willard Branch of the Springfield-Greene County Library and to convey to all of its patrons and staff this legislative body's heartiest congratulations upon attaining this ten-year milestone in the organization's history and our best wishes for many more years of community service to come; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution to mark the Tenth Anniversary of the opening of the Willard Branch Library.

Offered by Speaker Jim Kreider  
District No. 142

I, Jim Kreider, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-first General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 169, adopted February 5, 2002.

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Jim Kreider, Speaker